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This is a request for filing a Continuation-in-Part application under 37 C.F.R. 1.53(d) of prior application Serial No. 10/623,223 filed July 17, 2003, titled "CARD SHUFFLER WITH CARD RANK AND VALUE READING CAPABILITY, which is in turn a continuation-in-part of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 10/261,166 filed September 27, 2002, titled CARD SHUFFLING APPARATUS WITH AUTOMATIC CARD SIZE CALIBRATION which, is in turn a continuation-in-part of Application Serial No. 10/128,532 filed April 23, 2002, now U.S. Patent 6,651,982, titled CARD SHUFFLING APPARATUS WITH INTEGRAL CARD DELIVERY, which is in turn a continuation-in-part of Application Serial No. 09/967,502 filed September 28, 2001, now U.S. Patent 6,651,981, titled CARD SHUFFLING APPARATUS WITH INTEGRAL CARD DELIVERY.

We are transmitting herewith the following attached items and information (as indicated with an "X"):

- \bowtie A Patent application consisting of 98 pages of specification, including, 32 claims, 18 pages of figures and 1 page of abstract
- Unsigned Declaration and Power of Attorney (5 pages)
 - Unsigned Assignment to Shuffle Master, Inc. (7 pages)
 - Transmittal Sheet W/Certificate of Express Mail (2 pages herein)
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